

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**  
**A B S T R A C T**

Public Servants – Social Welfare Department – Certain irregularities noticed in transportation of 104 bags of Rice to local market at Bhimavaram jurisdiction. W.G. District – Departmental action against Smt. M.M.Joshi Bai, ASWO (Retd.), W.G. District – Imposing the penalty of 10% cut in pension for a period of one year against her under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

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**SOCIAL WELFARE (Ser.II.1) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Rt.No : 109**

**Dated:05-02-2011.**

**Read the following:-**

1. The Commissioner of Social Welfare Hyderabad Procdgs. No.F2/10190/ 2008, Dt.02-03-2009-1
2. From the Joint Director (Estt.), O/o CSW, AP, Hyderabad Lr.No. 1/JD(H)/Inquiry/09, Dt.10-09-2009
3. Govt. Memo No. 9941/SW.Ser.II(1)/2009-2,Dt.26-03-2010
4. From Smt. M.M.Joshi Bai, ASWO (Retd.,) explanation dated 04-05-2010
5. From the Secretary, APPSC, Hyderabad letter No. 1294/RT-I/3/2010, Dated 07-10-2010

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**ORDER:**

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, the JD (SW) was appointed as Enquiry Officer to conduct enquiry on the charges framed against Smt. M.M.Joshi Bai, ASWO, and others. In the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, the JD (SW), & Enquiry Officer submitted the Common Enquiry Report against the charged officers. In respect of Smt. M.M.Joshi Bai, ASWO, the Enquiry Officer has held that the three (3) charges framed against her as not proved.

2. The Government have examined the matter and observe that in respect of Charge No.1, it is seen that the ASWO instead of receiving the rice from Civil Supplies depot and distributing it to hostels, she has entrusted it to the watchman-cum-helper and the attender on deputation working in her office. However, the Inquiry Authority is absolving the irregularity at his level by rationalizing that the charged officer has delegated the work under unavoidable circumstances, which is not reasonable.

3. In respect of Charge No.2, it is observed that it is admitted that 104 bags (of 50 kgs. each) are found with B.Shyam Babu, Attender (o/s) irregularly. The Inquiring Authority is believing the statements of charged officers and the stock registers produced subsequently showing that the entire 198 quintals of rice lifted has been reached to the hostels. Nothing is said about the 104 bags of rice found irregularly with the Attender. Entries can be created in the stock registers but physical stock of 104 bags can not be created out of thin air. The Inquiry Authority should have given credence to this aspect.

4. In view of the above said reasons, the Government have differed with the findings of Inquiring Authority in respect of Charge Nos. 1 & 2 and treat them as proved.

5. Government after examination of the matter provisionally decided to impose the penalty of 10% cut in pension for a period of one year against the charged officer. Accordingly, a Show Cause notice was issued vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, to the charged officer and a copy of the report of the Inquiring Authority was communicated to the charged officer along with disagreement factors for her representation, if any. The charged officer submitted her written representation in the reference 4<sup>th</sup> read above.

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6. The Government examined the same and decided to impose the penalty as mentioned in show cause notice. The matter was referred to APPSC for their concurrence.

7. The Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission vide reference 5<sup>th</sup> read above, stated that after careful examination of the disciplinary case in the light of the records made available, Commission advised the Government to drop the punishment, since the charge was not proved in the inquiry against the C.O., Smt. M.M.Joshi Bai, ASWO (Retd.).

8. The Government after careful examination of the matter, decided to confirm the penalty as mentioned in the show cause notice against the individual. Accordingly, the Government hereby impose the penalty of 10% (ten percent) cut in pension for one year on Smt. M.M.Joshi Bai, ASWO (Retd.), W.G. District, under Rule 9 of the A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

9. The Commissioner of Social Welfare Hyderabad, is therefore, directed to take action accordingly.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**J.RAYMOND PETER  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To  
Smt. M.M.Joshi Bai, ASWO (Retd.), W.G. District  
(Through the Commissioner of Social Welfare Hyderabad)

**Copy to:**

The Commissioner of Social Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad  
The District Collector, West Godavari, Eluru  
The Joint Director, Social Welfare, West Godavari, Eluru  
The P.S. to Hon'ble Minister for Social Welfare for information  
The Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Hyderabad  
The Deputy Accountant General (Pensions), O/o Accountant General, A.P., Hyderabad.  
The Secretary, A.P., Public Service Commission, Hyderabad w.r.t. their letter No. 1294/RT-I/3/2010, Dated 07-10-2010  
P.S. to Principal Secretary to Government, Social Welfare Department.  
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**//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//**

**SECTION OFFICER**